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TAGS: CASC (MELTON, MIKE AND GROUP)  
SUBJECT: MIKE MELTON AND GROUP

REF: A. STATE 076068, B. HONG KONG 4011

1. CHRISTOPHER HATFIELD AND NICHOLAS PELADINO APPEARED AT  
CONGEN APRIL 19 AND TALKED WITH CONOFF.

2. PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO REQUEST TO BE SENT TO U.S. ASAP.  
ACCORDING TO CHRISTOPHER, SINCE BOYS AND MELTON APPEARED AT  
CONGEN APRIL 8, MELTON HAS BEEN CARRYING ON CAMPAIGN OF  
HARASSMENT AND INTIMIDATION OF TELLING THEM ESPECIALLY  
CHRISTOPHER, THAT SHOULD THEY RETURN TO U.S. THEY WILL BE  
PLACED IN AN INSTITUTION, BE BULLIED BY OTHER BOYS, FACE  
STRICTER SCHOOLING, ETC. BOTH SAID THEY WERE PREVIOUSLY  
HAPPY WITH MELTON, BUT NOT THEY HAVE QTE HAD ENOUGH UNQTE OF  
THIS AND NOW WANT TO RETURN TO U.S.

3. NEITHER BOY HAS TOLD MELTON OF THEIR DESIRE TO LEAVE ASAP,  
NOR HAVE THEY TOLD HIM THEY INTENDED TO VISIT CONGEN.  
NEITHER EXPRESSED ANY PHYSICAL FEAR OF MELTON, BUT  
THEY ASKED IF THEY COULD LIVE ELSEWHERE PENDING  
DEPARTURE. WE ARE LOOKING INTO THIS, AND WILL  
DISCUSS MATTER WITH HONG KONG DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES,  
VOLUNATARY AGENCY OR RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION HERE.  
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IN MEANTIME, BOTH BOYS RETURNED APRIL 19 TO MELTON  
RESIDENCE ON ISLAND.

4. IN LIGHT THIS DEVELOPMENT, REQUEST DEPT ASK DSS IF  
DSS WISHES THEIR IMMEDIATE RETURN. HOWEVER, PARA 3  
OF REFTEL A NOTED DSS EFFORT TO REMOVE CHRISTOPHER  
FROM MELTON'S CUSTODY. IF MATTER YET UNRESOLVED,

CAN CONGEN ASSIST IN CHRISTOPHER'S DESIRE LIVE  
ELSEWHERE AND RETURN TO U.S. WHEN MELTON IS LEGAL  
GAURDIAN?

5. ANOTHER POTENTIAL PROBLEM IS BOYS' PASSPORTS, WHICH  
ARE BEING HELD BY MELTON. BOYS OFFERED TAKE THEM  
WITHOUT MELTON'S KNOWLEDGE, BUT CONGOFF ADVISED AGAINST  
THAT. IF DSS AUTHORIZES AND FUNDS THEIR RETURN TO  
U.S. AND IF MELTON REFUSES SURRENDER THEIR PASSPORTS  
FOR SUCH TRAVEL, CAN WE ISSUE THEM JOINT TEMPORARY  
PASSPORT?

6. FOR THE MOMENT, WE HAVE NOT DISCUSSED THIS DEVELOPMENT  
WITH MELTON. IF DSS WANTS CHRISTOPHER AND NICHOLAS  
TO RETURN TO US. WE WILL RAISE MATTER WITH MELTON.  
IN THIS INSTANCE, SUGGEST THAT DSS PREPAY TICKETS  
WITH SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE PAN AMERICAN WITH NOTIFICA-  
TION TO HONG KONG PAN AMERICAN OFFICE.  
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